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“FIRE PREVENTION MONTH”

Los Angeles County is committed to ensuring the safety and security of all those living in and visiting our County. Fire is a serious public safety concern both locally and nationally, and homes are the locations where people are at greatest risk from fire. The nonprofit National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) has documented through its research that cooking is the leading cause of home fires. One out of three home fires begins in the kitchen – more than any other place in the home.

First responders are dedicated to reducing the occurrence of home fires and home fire injuries through prevention and protection education. Los Angeles County residents are responsive to public education measures and are able to take personal steps to increase their safety from fire.

Using proper care when cooking will have a positive effect on the home fire problem. Each cooking fire that is prevented in Los Angeles County is an opportunity to prevent painful injury and costly property damage.

The 2006 "Fire Prevention Month" theme, "Prevent Cooking Fires; Watch What You Heat," effectively serves to remind us all of the simple actions we can take to stay safer from fire during Fire Prevention Month and year-round.

I, THEREFORE, MOVE that the Board of Supervisors does hereby proclaim the month of October 2006 as "Fire Prevention Month" throughout Los Angeles County.

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